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INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1953

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Mr. MAYBANK, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 7072]

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The Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 7072) making appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and for other purposes, report the same to the Senate with various amendments and present herewith information relative to the changes made.

Amount of bill as passed House	$6,254,215,628
Amount of increase by Senate (net)	24,592,600
Amount of bill as reported to Senate	6,278,808,228
Amount of the appropriations, 1952	8,091,838,095
Amount of regular and supplemental estimates, 1953	6,982,787,043
The bill as reported to the Senate:	
Under the estimates for 1953	703,978,815
Under the appropriations for 1952	1,813,029,867

SUMMARY

The bill as reported to the House provided for a total appropriation of $6,271,138,348, and as it passed the House provided for a total of $6,254,215,628. This was a reduction of $724,471,415 from the estimates considered by the House of $6,978,687,043.

Additional estimates were considered by the Senate, being $3,500,000 requested for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics in Senate Document No. 124, $300,000 requested for the Federal Trade Commission in Senate Document No. 128, $125,000 for maritime training in Senate Document No. 133, and $175,000 for Selective Service System in Senate Document No. 136.

Restoration of the reductions by the House were requested of the Senate in the total amount of $511,510,848. The Senate recommends increases totaling $115,076,600 and reductions of $88,284,000, for a net increase over the House of $26,792,600.

The bill as reported to the Senate provides for a total appropriation of $6,281,008,228, or a reduction of $701,478,815 from the estimates considered by the Senate of $6,982,487,043.

The following tabulation summarizes the recommendations as to each agency in the bill:

Independent offices appropriation bill, 1953

Item of appropriation	1952 appropriation	1953 estimate	House allowance		Senate recommendation	Senate bill compared with—		
			Committee	Floor action		1952 appropriation	1953 estimate	House bill
Executive Office of the President	$7,295,015	$11,623,843	$11,022,143	$6,922,143	$6,231,843	−$1,063,172	−$5,392,000	−$690,300
American Battle Monuments Commission	3,719,000	5,779,000	1,619,550	1,619,550	1,619,550	−2,099,450	−4,159,450	
Atomic Energy Commission	1,605,897,750	1,312,000,000	1,137,727,500	1,137,727,500	1,137,727,500	−468,170,250	−174,272,500	
Civil Service Commission	336,815,900	482,673,000	342,410,350	342,410,350	343,310,350	+6,494,450	−139,362,650	+900,000
Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion	45,000							
Displaced Persons Commission	10,074,500							
Federal Communications Commission	6,585,550	8,075,000	6,108,460	6,108,460	6,708,460	+122,910	−1,366,540	+600,000
Federal Power Commission	4,330,925	4,540,000	3,935,700	3,935,700	4,235,700	−95,225	−304,300	+300,000
Federal Trade Commission	4,314,400	4,667,000	3,978,800	3,978,800	4,128,800	−185,600	−538,200	+150,000
General Accounting Office	32,494,000	32,225,000	30,435,000	30,435,000	32,185,000	−309,000	−40,000	+1,750,000
General Services Administration	986,529,500	425,298,000	375,272,880	372,654,330	380,731,330	−605,798,170	−44,566,670	+8,077,000
Housing and Home Finance Agency	97,462,580	53,670,000	42,486,000	40,486,000	44,486,000	−52,976,580	−9,184,000	+4,000,000
Indian Claims Commission	93,500	104,700	89,300	89,300	93,500		−11,200	+4,200
Interstate Commerce Commission	11,264,035	11,778,000	10,506,000	10,506,000	11,501,000	+236,965	−277,000	+995,000
Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000			
Motor Carrier Claims Commission	186,000					−186,000		
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics	69,000,000	78,534,000	64,222,200	64,222,200	68,350,000	−650,000	−10,184,000	+4,127,800
National Capital Housing Authority	35,640	47,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	+9,360	−2,000	
National Capital Park and Planning Commission	155,000	600,000	66,000	66,000	66,000	−89,000	−534,000	
National Science Foundation	3,500,000	15,000,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	5,000,000	+1,500,000	−10,000,000	+1,500,000
Renegotiation Board	1,100,000	7,500,000	4,907,800	4,907,800	5,907,800	+4,807,800	−1,592,200	+1,000,000
Securities and Exchange Commission	5,813,480	5,950,000	5,245,080	5,245,080	5,245,080	−568,400	−704,920	
Selective Service System	33,009,000	39,861,000	36,597,000	36,597,000	36,772,000	+3,763,000	−3,089,000	+175,000
Smithsonian Institution	3,793,200	3,865,000	3,455,100	3,455,100	3,865,000	+71,800		+409,900
Subversive Activities Control Board	235,000	470,000	291,305	291,305	291,305	+56,305	−178,695	
Tariff Commission	1,250,600	1,388,000	1,194,750	1,194,750	1,388,000	+137,400		+193,250
Tennessee Valley Authority	238,389,600	200,027,000	185,270,000	171,270,000	186,027,000	−52,362,600	−14,000,000	+14,757,000
The Tax Court of the United States	859,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	+41,000		
Veterans' Administration	4,409,265,220	4,064,673,500	3,822,033,130	3,827,828,960	3,810,044,960	−599,220,260	−254,628,540	−17,784,000
War Claims Commission, administrative expenses	(850,000)	(965,000)	(683,000)	(683,000)				
Total, Title I, Executive Office, President and Independent Offices	7,873,518,395	6,771,254,043	6,093,324,048	6,076,401,328	6,096,816,178	−1,776,702,217	−674,437,865	+20,414,850
TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE								
Maritime activities	218,319,700	211,533,000	177,814,300	177,814,300	181,942,050	−36,377,650	−29,590,950	+4,127,750
Total appropriations, titles I and II	8,091,838,095	6,982,787,043	6,271,138,348	6,254,215,628	6,278,808,228	−1,813,029,867	−703,978,815	+24,592,600

TITLE III—CORPORATIONS (Administrative expense limitations)								
Housing and Home Finance Agency:								
Federal National Mortgage Association	3,647,600	4,140,000	3,371,425	3,371,425	3,647,600	----------	−492,400	+276,175
Loans for prefabricated housing	241,200	268,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	−16,200	−43,000	----------
Home Loan Bank Board	775,000	779,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	−50,000	−54,000	----------
Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation	435,000	443,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	−10,000	−18,000	----------
Federal Housing Administration	5,290,600	5,631,000	4,885,000	4,885,000	4,885,000	−405,600	−746,000	----------
Public Housing Administration	13,904,700	15,033,000	11,455,000	10,455,000	12,613,000	−1,291,700	−2,420,000	+2,158,000
Inland Waterways Corporation—Department of Commerce	481,200	510,000	467,330	467,330	481,200	----------	−28,800	+13,870
Total, Administrative expense limitations	24,775,300	26,804,000	21,553,755	20,553,755	23,001,800	−1,773,500	−3,802,200	+2,448,045

LIMITATIONS ON TRAVEL FUNDS

The requested appropriations for travel funds in the bill amount to $31,850,273. Of this amount, $8,500,000 was requested for travel of selectees under the Selective Service System, and $7,058,800 was requested for travel of beneficiaries under the Veterans' Administration. The House has inserted limitations in the bill on the amounts available for expenses of travel for all purposes other than for selectees and veterans' beneficiaries (on which the House report shows a reduction of $500,000). These limitations reduce the estimates for such travel in the amount of $5,346,902. In addition, limitations are also inserted on the travel expenses included in the administrative expenses authorized for the corporations in the bill.

The committee recommends that the travel expense limitations in the bill be increased by one-half of the difference between the amount of the House limitation and the Budget estimate for travel as to each of the agencies so limited.

The amount of the estimate for travel, the amount of the House limitation and the amount recommended by the Senate committee are stated in the following tabulation:

Agency	Travel estimate 1953	House limitation	Senate recommendation
Bureau of the Budget	$75,000	$54,000	$64,500
Council of Economic Advisers	3,300	2,200	2,750
American Battle Monuments Commission	15,429	10,300	12,865
Atomic Energy Commission	3,345,927	2,230,500	2,788,200
Civil Service Commission	639,000	426,000	532,500
Federal Communications Commission	118,000	78,700	98,350
Federal Power Commission	270,000	180,000	225,000
Federal Trade Commission	189,700	126,470	158,000
General Accounting Office	1,250,000	1,000,000	1,125,000
General Services Administration:			
Operating expenses	500,798	333,945	417,370
Emergency operating expenses	32,400	21,600	27,000
Renovation and improvement	50,000	33,400	41,700
Repair, preservation, etc	100,000	66,000	83,000
Expenses, general supply fund	178,665	119,000	148,800
Strategic, critical materials	213,900	142,600	178,250
Housing and Home Finance Agency	320,000	210,000	265,000
Indian Claims Commission	3,100	2,000	2,550
Interstate Commerce Commission:			
General expenses	307,654	205,000	256,300
Railroad safety	217,209	145,000	181,100
Locomotive inspection	150,482	100,000	125,240
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics	320,000	213,400	266,700
National Science Foundation	190,000	95,000	142,500
Renegotiation Board	402,146	180,000	291,000
Securities and Exchange Commission	135,000	90,000	112,500
Selective Service System	1,082,100	476,500	779,300
Smithsonian Institution	13,590	9,100	11,350
National Gallery of Art	2,400	1,600	2,000
Subversive Activity Control Board	10,000	4,000	7,000
Tariff Commission	18,000	12,000	15,000
The Tax Court	30,000	35,000	None
Veterans' Administration	4,707,567	3,138,400	3,923,000
War Claims Commission	(12,000)	(8,000)	(10,000)
Maritime Administration:			
Administrative expenses	190,000	130,700	160,350
Shipyards, warehouses, etc	3,350	2,200	2,775
Reserve fleet expenses	10,000	6,650	8,325
Maritime training	41,000	20,500	30,750
Federal National Mortgage Association	(184,140)	(122,760)	(153,450)
Prefabricated housing, HHFA	(9,000)	(6,000)	(7,500)
Home Loan Bank Board	(30,000)	(20,000)	(25,000)
Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation	(5,500)	(3,700)	(4,600)
Federal Housing Administration	(194,500)	(130,000)	(162,250)
Public Housing Administration	(930,000)	(620,000)	(775,000)
Inland Waterways Corporation	(14,330)	(9,560)	(11,950)
Tennessee Valley Authority	(2,061,585)	(1,375,000)	(1,718,300)

Increases and Limitations

The changes recommended by the committee in the amounts of the House bill are as follows:

Executive Office of the President:

Bureau of the Budget $293,600

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide funds for 1953 at the same level as for 1952. The amount provided is $3,608,000, which is $242,000 below the budget estimate.

Council of Economic Advisers 16,100

The increase recommended by the committee is to restore a sufficient amount of the House reduction to provide for the operations of the Council for 9 months. The amount provided is $225,000, which is $124,000 below the estimate for the full fiscal year.

The committee also recommends that the following be added to the bill:

to remain available until March 31, 1953

Atomic Energy Commission:

The committee favors the division of the appropriations for the Commission into separate items for operating expenses as distinguished from plant and equipment expenses. The committee recommends the following changes in language for the purpose of perfecting the division of these items as recommended by the House:

The committee recommends that the authorization for the purchase of aircraft and the authorization for the purchase of passenger motor vehicles be changed from "Operating Expenses" to "Plant and Equipment."

The committee recommends the consolidation of the limitation on the amount for program direction and administration personnel, in place of the separation between "in the District of Columbia and extensions" and "outside the District of Columbia".

The committee recommends that the following be added to the authorization for construction of plant under the item for "Plant and Equipment":

purchase and

The committee recommends that the following exception be added to the paragraph requiring provision for audit by the Comptroller General to be included in negotiated contracts:

except contracts with any foreign government or any agency thereof and contracts for source material with foreign producers

Atomic Energy Commission—Continued

The committee recommends that the following transfer provisions be inserted in the bill, in order to provide needed flexibility in the operations of the Commission under the newly separated items of appropriation:

That there shall be transferred to and merged with this appropriation that portion of the unexpended balances of prior year appropriations included under the appropriation for operating expenses which is applicable to plant and equipment, and amounts so transferred together with the foregoing appropriation shall remain available until expended

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Any appropriation available under this act or heretofore made to the Atomic Energy Commission may initially be used to finance the procurement of materials, services, or other costs which are a part of work or activities for which funds have been provided in any other appropriation available to the Commission: Provided, That appropriate transfers or adjustments between such appropriations shall subsequently be made for such costs on the basis of actual application determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Not to exceed 5 per centum of any appropriation under this head may be transferred to any other such appropriation but no such appropriation shall be increased by more than 5 per centum by any such transfers.

In failing to recommend the restoration of any part of the House reduction of $174,272,500 below the budget estimate, the committee does not intend in any way to prejudice the consideration of the entire needs of the program of the Commission in connection with the anticipated supplemental estimate for a large expansion in the program of which the committee was advised. The committee believes that in connection with the review by the Congress of the anticipated supplemental estimate the entire program and the needs of the Commission should be considered. The committee also believes that the amount appropriated by this bill should be applied by the Commission to those programs and projects that they may deem most appropriate for economical operation and advancement of their program objectives.

Civil Service Commission:

Payment to civil-service retirement and disability fund $900,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide a total of $321,900,000, which the committee is informed will provide only for the actual disbursements estimated for 1953 from the fund. The amount provided is $135,969,000 below the budget estimate. No provision is made for keeping the interest payments current to the fund, so that such amount will add to the already huge deficit, estimated as of June 30, 1951, to be $4,875,000,000.

In this connection, the committee calls attention to the following statement of condition of the fund as furnished by the Civil Service Commission:

Statement of condition of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund as of June 30, 1947, and June 30, 1951

	June 30, 1947	June 30, 1951
LIABILITIES		
1. Liability to present and former employees for deductions from payroll, service-credit purchases, voluntary deposits, and accrued interest	$1,571,744,233.29	$2,550,616,394.06
2. Liability to beneficiaries or heirs of deceased, retired employees for unliquidated balances of their contributions, with interest	1,187,210.41	1,597,797.79
3. Liability to retired employees and survivor annuitants for payments accrued during June, payable July 1	8,911,558.28	17,224,223.18
4. Liability for all future payments in respect to employee and survivor annuitants on the roll	887,098,688.00	2,016,051,658.00
5. Liability for prospective annuity benefits based on service already rendered by present and former employees, not yet retired, in excess of benefits to be provided by their contributions with interest	3,103,977,903.96	4,709,437,039.86
6. Total	5,572,919,593.94	9,294,927,112.89
ASSETS		
7. Cash and investments in obligations of the United States	2,478,919,593.94	4,419,927,112.89
DEFICIT		
8. Excess of liabilities over assets	3,094,000,000.00	4,875,000,000.00

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION $600,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide more adequately for the increased workload of the Commission occasioned by the lifting of the television "freeze." The committee was advised that the action of the Commission on April 14, 1952, in announcing that it would begin to receive and consider applications and grant licenses under a new set of rules and allocations designed to give television service to the entire Nation, will make possible 1,900 more stations in 1,200 more locations, whereas at the present time there are 108 television stations located in 66 communities. The amount provided is $6,708,460, which is $1,366,540 below the budget estimate.

The committee believes that the cost of processing the application through the hearing and the granting of the licenses should in some measure be reimbursed to the Government by the beneficiaries of such licenses. Accordingly, the committee requests the Commission to take immediate steps to investigate the requirements for the initiation of fair and equitable fees and charges in connection with the licensing of television stations, in order that such work of the Commission may be made self-sustaining to the fullest extent possible, in accordance with the sense of the Congress as expressed in title V of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act for 1952 and report the results of such investigation to the appropriate legislative committees with recommendations to accomplish such results. The Commission should also consider some means of securing such reimbursement from the stations already operating under licenses, when they apply for license renewals, in order that the charges to new licensees will be on a fair and equitable basis. Any such fees or charges collected, of course, would be deposited into the Treasury, and not be available to the Commission unless appropriated by the Congress.

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION $300,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $4,235,700, which is $304,300 below the budget estimate. The committee believes that the consideration of applications for extensions of gas lines should be emphasized.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION 150,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $4,128,800, which is $538,200 below the revised estimate of $4,667,000, the revision being a request for $300,000 additional for anti-merger work as contained in Sen. Doc. No. 128.

GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE:

Salaries 1,500,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $30,100,000.

The committee does not agree with the House action in providing $500,000 for the establishment of foreign offices.

Miscellaneous expenses 250,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $2,085,000, which is $40,000 below the budget estimate.

Total, General Accounting Office 1,750,000

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION:

Operating expenses 6,000,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $115,209,080, which is $12,790,920 below the budget estimate.

The committee does not agree with the action of the House committee in separating the appropriations for operating expenses into four items. The committee believes that better administration and greater economies in government will result from conforming to the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, whereby full and complete authority for the management of the General Services Administration is vested in the Administrator, rather than returning the functions of administration to the various bureaus.

Accordingly, the committee recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

Executive direction and staff operations: For necessary expenses in the performance of executive direction and staff operations for activities under the control of the General Services Administration; including not to exceed $86,565 for expenses of travel; not to exceed $250 for purchase of newspapers and periodicals; and processing and determining net renegotiation rebates; $4,648,300.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION—Continued

Public Buildings Service: For necessary expenses of real property management and related activities as provided by law; including the salary of the Commissioner of Public Buildings at the rate of $16,500 per annum so long as the position is held by the present incumbent; repair and improvement of public buildings and grounds (including furnishings and equipment) under the control of the General Services Administration; rental of buildings in the District of Columbia; restoration of leased premises; moving Government agencies in connection with the assignment, allocation, and transfer of building space; demolition of buildings; acquisition by purchase or otherwise and disposal by sale or otherwise of real estate and interests therein; purchase of not to exceed three passenger motor vehicles for replacement only; and not to exceed $157,630 for expenses of travel; $98,346,030: *Provided*, That the foregoing appropriation shall not be available to effect the moving of Government agencies from the District of Columbia into buildings acquired to accomplish the dispersal of departmental functions of the executive establishment into areas outside of but accessible to the District of Columbia.

Federal Supply Service: For necessary expenses of personal property management and related activities as provided by law; including not to exceed $250 for the purchase of newspapers and periodicals; not to exceed $69,000 for expenses of travel; and the purchase of not to exceed one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; $2,094,100.

National Archives and Records Service: For necessary expenses in connection with Federal records management and related activities as provided by law; including preparation of guides and other finding aids to records of the Second World War; purchase of not to exceed one passenger motor vehicle for replacement only; and not to exceed $20,750 for expenses of travel; $4,739,200.

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

Operating expenses: For necessary expenses of the General Services Administration not otherwise provided for, including: Repair and improvement of public buildings and grounds (including furnishings and equipment) under the control of the General Services Administration, rental of buildings in the District of Columbia; restoration of leased premises, moving Government agencies in connection with the assignment; allocation, and transfer of building space; demolition of buildings, acquisition by purchase or otherwise and disposal by sale or otherwise of real estate and interests therein, not to exceed $417,370 for expenses of travel, not to exceed $800 for purchase of newspapers and periodicals, processing and determining net renegotiation rebates, and preparation of guides and other finding aids to records of the Second World War; $115,209,080.

The foregoing appropriation shall not be available to effect the moving of Government agencies from the District of Columbia into buildings acquired to accomplish the dispersal of departmental functions of the executive establishment into areas outside of but accessible to the District of Columbia.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION—Continued

Renovation and improvement of federally owned buildings outside the District of Columbia $500,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $5,000,000, which is $500,000 below the budget estimate.

Repair, preservation, and equipment, outside the District of Columbia 500,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $9,500,000, which is $500,000 below the budget estimate.

Expenses, general supply fund 1,077,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $15,075,000, the same as for 1952, which is $4,538,000 below the budget estimate.

The committee also recommends, in order to effect savings through such handling, that the following authorization be inserted in the bill:

including contractual services incident to receiving, handling and shipping warehouse items

For the purpose of consolidating into one item of appropriation all authorizations for General Services Administration to purchase passenger motor vehicles, the committee recommends that the amount of the limitation for the general supply fund be increased from "five" to "twelve." No provision for such purchases is included in the recommendation for consolidation of "Operating expenses," and the purchases under the stockpiling act are recommended to be deleted. The estimate requested 10 vehicles for replacement under "Operating expenses," 5 vehicles for replacement under the stockpiling act, and 10 additional vehicles for the general supply fund. Of the 25 vehicles requested, only 12 are recommended, all for replacement only.

Strategic and critical materials:

In accordance with the statement under the general supply fund, the committee recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

and the purchase of not to exceed two passenger motor vehicles for replacement only

The committee realizes that storage facilities are essential to the stockpiling program, but has recommended no increase in the appropriation for such purpose. The committee recommends that not to exceed $10,000,000 be made available for the construction of needed storage facilities from the funds appropriated in the bill, but only after certification by the Administrator to the Bureau of the Budget that satisfactory government or private facilities are not otherwise available.

Total, General Services Administration 8,077,000

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY:

Office of the Administrator $2,000,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The total amount provided is $5,606,000, which is $644,000 below the budget estimate. Continuation of the housing programs on a reduced scale will be possible under this amount, with no expansion.

The committee believes the Administrator should actively press the housing research program, in order to benefit from the investments already made in research projects by making available to the housing programs the savings in cost and materials that are possible through the use of improved methods as well as through the use of substitute materials.

The committee also recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

> but such nonadministrative expenses shall not exceed $374,000.

The committee is informed that such limitation serves no purpose in saving appropriations, since the expenses referred to are paid from inspection and audit fees as required by law that are charged educational institutions and local public agencies in the college housing and slum clearance programs.

In order to provide funds for expenses that the committee is informed are not otherwise provided for, the committee recommends that the following paragraph be added to the bill:

> *Defense community facilities and services: During the current fiscal year not to exceed $225,000 of the appropriation granted under this head in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, shall be available for administrative expenses in connection with the construction of facilities under such appropriation.*

Public Housing Administration:

Annual contributions.

The committee recommends that the following provision be deleted from the bill:

> : *Provided further*, That notwithstanding the provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, the Public Housing Administration shall not, with respect to projects initiated after March 1, 1949, (1) authorize during the fiscal year 1953, the commencement of construction of in excess of five thousand dwelling units, or (2) after the date of approval of this Act, enter into any agreement, contract, or other arrangement which will bind the Public Housing Administration with respect to loans, annual contributions, or authorizations for commencement of construction, for dwelling units aggregating in excess of twenty-five thousand to be authorized for commencement of construction during any one fiscal year subsequent to the fiscal year 1953, unless a greater number of units is hereafter authorized by the Congress

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY—Continued

Public Housing Administration—Continued

Annual contributions—Continued

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

: *Provided further, That notwithstanding the provisions of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, the Public Housing Administration shall not, with respect to projects initiated after March 1, 1949, authorize during the fiscal year 1953 the commencement of construction of in excess of forty-five thousand dwelling units.*

The committee also recommends that the following proviso be deleted from the bill:

: *Provided further,* That no part of any appropriation contained in this section shall be used to pay annual contributions on any housing unit of a project assisted under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, which is occupied by a person who is a member of an organization designated as subversive by the Attorney General.

Administrative expenses	$2,000,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide a partial restoration of the House reduction, in line with the increase recommended in the authorization for commencement of housing units. The amounts provided is $9,000,000, which is $2,420,000 below the budget estimate.

Total, Housing and Home Finance Agency	4,000,000
INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION	4,200

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide for operations of the Commission at the 1952 level. The amount provided is $93,500, which is $11,200 below the budget estimate.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION:

General expenses	769,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $9,704,000, which is $271,000 below the budget estimate. Of the total amount, $200,000 is recommended as an increase for the section of complaints in the Bureau of Motor Carriers.

Railroad safety	135,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $1,042,000.

Locomotive inspection	91,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $755,000, which is $6,000 below the budget estimate.

Total, Interstate Commerce Commission	995,000

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS:

Salaries and expenses $4,127,800

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction, to allow for operation at the 1952 level. The amount provided is $50,650,000, which is $7,184,000 below the revised estimate, the revision being a request for $3,500,000 to provide for additional research in the field of aircraft structures as contained in Sen. Doc. No. 124.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION.

The committee recommends that the limitation on the amount of funds available for necessary expenses of the Commission be increased from $22,375 to $27,500.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION 1,500,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $5,000,000, which is $10,000,000 below the budget estimate.

RENEGOTIATION BOARD 1,000,000

The increase recommended by the committee is a partial restoration of the House reduction. The amount provided is $5,907,800, which is $1,592,200 below the budget estimate.

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM 175,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the increase in military pay and allowances authorized by Public Law 346 for officers assigned by the Armed Forces to the Selective Service System, as requested in the supplemental estimate in S. Doc. No. 136 and considered by the full committee.

The committee recommends no other increase in the amount allowed by the House. The committee believes, however, that the limitations on amounts for various portions of the program are too restrictive to allow for proper administration, and accordingly recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

not to exceed $69,500 for expenses of travel, National Administration, Planning, Training, and Records Management; not to exceed $363,500 for expenses of travel, State Administration, Planning, Training, and Records Servicing; $92,500 for the National Selective Service Appeal Board, of which not to exceed $3,500 shall be available for expenses of travel; and $215,200 for the National Advisory Committee on the Selection of Doctors, Dentists, and Allied Specialists, of which not to exceed $40,000 shall be available for expenses of travel

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

not to exceed $779,300 for expenses of administrative travel

In order to provide for the destruction of records no longer needed in the current operation of the System, as well as to effect substantial economies thereby, the committee recommends that the following paragraph be added to the bill:

Appropriations for the Selective Service System may be used for the destruction of records accumulated under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended, which are hereby authorized to be destroyed by the Director of Selective Service after compliance with the procedures for the destruction of records prescribed pursuant to the Records Disposal Act of 1943, as amended (44 U. S. C. 366–380): Provided, That no records may be transferred to any other agency without the approval of the Director of Selective Service.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION:

Salaries and expenses $291,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $2,565,000.

National Gallery of Art 118,900

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $1,300,000.

Total, Smithsonian Institution 409,900

TARIFF COMMISSION 193,250

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $1,388,000.

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY 14,757,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the following:

Restoration of two additional units at Shawnee Steam Plant	$14,000,000
Restoration of 10% reduction by House in appropriation-financed expenses	757,000
	14,757,000

The amount provided is $186,027,000, which is $14,000,000 below the budget estimate.

The committee also recommends that the authorization for the purchase of passenger motor vehicles be increased from "one hundred and ten for replacement only" to "two hundred and twenty, of which one hundred and fifty shall be for replacement only."

The committee also recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

: *Provided further,* That no funds appropriated for the Tennessee Valley Authority by this paragraph shall be used for the purchase of coal unless the purchase is made under a contract with a contractor who has furnished a performance bond or other satisfactory warranty for the proper performance of the contract; and not to exceed $99,131,125 of funds available under this section shall be used for personal services

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION:

Administration, medical, hospital, and domiciliary services 68,000,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to substantially restore the reduction by the House. The amount provided is $877,382,260, and added to the reappropriation of $12,500,000 of unobligated balance would make a total of $889,882,260, which is $5,117,740 below the budget estimate. The committee believes that such restoration will provide funds to enable the Administration to render the type of service to eligible veterans intended by the Congress. Particularly to be stressed, in the opinion of the committee, is the continuation and advancement of medical research, in order that eligible veterans may continue to benefit from the investments already made as well as to profit from constant developments in the various fields of medical research.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION—Continued

Major alterations, improvements, and repairs..... $1,500,000

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $9,500,000.

Total, Veterans' Administration..... 69,500,000

WAR CLAIMS COMMISSION:

The committee recommends that the limitation on the amount to be derived from the war claims fund for administrative expenses be increased from $683,000 to $786,100, for the following:

Services by Tariff Commission	$7,000
Services by General Services Administration	6,100
Restoration of travel reduction	2,000
Restoration of over-all cut	88,000
Total restoration	103,100

The committee is informed that services in the amount of $176,900 are to be performed without reimbursement from the Commission by the Adjutant General Records Depository, the Civil Service Commission and the Department of State. The amount allowed of $786,100 is $178,900 below the budget estimate.

REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATION

NATIONAL CAPITAL SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMISSION:

For the purpose of liquidating the activities of the Commission as of July 1, 1952, instead of December 31, 1952, as authorized, the committee recommends that the following be inserted in the bill:

REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATION

The unobligated balance of the funds available for necessary expenses of the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission, as authorized by the Acts of July 18, 1947 (Public Law 203), and May 31, 1949 (Public Law 78), is hereby rescinded effective July 1, 1952, except for necessary liquidating expenses, and such sum shall be carried to the surplus fund and covered into the Treasury immediately upon the approval of this Act.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES—GENERAL PROVISIONS:

SEC. 108. Ratio of employees in personnel work.

The committee recommends that the following be deleted from the section:

committees of expert examiners and boards of civil service examiners

Total increases, Title I..... 108,748,850

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

MARITIME ACTIVITIES:

Operating-differential subsidies.

The committee recommends that the following, as to the number of voyages in the limitation on the payment of subsidies, be deleted from the bill:

> of sixteen hundred, of which one hundred shall be for new operators, and which number shall include the number of voyages under contracts hereafter awarded

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

> *of sixteen hundred, which number shall include the number of voyages under contracts hereafter awarded and of which one hundred shall be for operators who have not held contracts prior to July 1, 1951*

Salaries and expenses $2,484,300

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the budget estimate of $16,860,000. In addition, the estimate of $1,200,000 for reappropriation to the reserve fleet for bottom preservation is provided for in the bill.

The committee also recommends that the limitation for Administrative Expenses be increased from $8,099,700 to $9,212,000; that the limitation for maintenance of shipyard facilities, operation of warehouses, and maintenance and operation of terminals be increased from $1,764,000 to $2,078,000, and that the limitation for reserve fleet expenses be increased from $4,512,000 to $5,570,000.

The committee also recommends that the number of employees in the limitation on the funds transferred from the Vessel Operations Revolving Fund be increased from "three hundred" to "five hundred."

Maritime training 1,194,800

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide the full amount of the revised estimate of $3,990,000, including $3,800,000 as originally submitted, $65,000 contained in House Document No. 362 and $125,000 in Senate Document No. 133 approved by the full committee for increased costs of pay and allowances for uniformed personnel of the Maritime Service as authorized in Public Law 346.

The committee also recommends that the limitation on personal services be increased from $1,881,600 to $2,474,100; that the limitation for contingencies be increased from $1,500 to $2,500, and that the limitation on the transfer to Public Health Service be increased from $55,680 to $72,500.

In order to provide for the pay of cadets at $65 per month, the committee recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

> including uniforms and textbooks for cadet midshipmen, to be provided in kind at an average yearly cost of not to exceed $200 per cadet: *Provided*, That this appropriation shall not be used for compensation or allowances for trainees or cadets

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

> *including the pay of cadet midshipmen.*

MARITIME ACTIVITIES—Continued

State marine schools $448,650

The increase recommended by the committee is to provide for the pay of cadets at $65 per month, to conform to a similar recommendation for cadets at the United States Merchant Marine Academy. The total amount provided is $1,092,050, which is $409,050 over the budget estimate, based on uniform and textbook allowances in lieu of pay of cadets.

The committee also recommends that the following be deleted from the bill:

and $300,400 for allowances for uniforms, textbooks, and subsistence of cadets at State marine schools, to be paid in accordance with regulations established pursuant to law (46 U. S. C. 1126 (b))

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

and $749,050 for the pay of seven hundred and ten cadet midshipmen at $65 per month and $275 per annum for the subsistence of each cadet midshipman.

Total, Maritime Activities, Title II 4,127,750

Total increases 112,876,600

TITLE III—CORPORATIONS

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY:

In connection with the total operations of this Agency, the committee calls attention to the fact that only 3 out of 12 major money items call for appropriations of funds from the Treasury. For these three items, including annual contributions for public housing, the committee is recommending a total of about $44.5 million. The major part of the expenditures of this Agency are made under authorizations to spend a portion of the income from its various business-type operations. Under the bill as recommended by the committee, these would total some $77 million out of gross income estimated at more than $324 million for 1953.

Most of these expenses go to protect large Government risks and investments. Thus, FNMA administrative expenses are largely to protect the Government's investment in the portfolio of insured and guaranteed mortgages, which is now more than $2 billion and which will be increased by nearly $1 billion of mortgage commitments in support of new private building in defense areas. Expenses of the Home Loan Bank Board and its subsidiaries are for the regulation and supervision of savings institutions which now hold assets of $15 billion insured by the Government. FHA expenses protect the Government's interest in nearly $15 billion of insurance already outstanding, as well as the examination and underwriting of nearly one third of new private building, amounting to $3 billion. PHA expenses from rental income and property sales provide for the operation, repair and protection of properties in which the Government has invested nearly $2 billion. The Office of the Administrator is responsible for the supervision of the operations of the entire Agency, involving the billions of Federal risks and investments indicated above. The committee is of the opinion that too restrictive limitations on such expenses could well result in excessive losses to the Government, perhaps of many times the immediate savings.

Housing and Home Finance Agency—Continued

The committee's attention has been called to apparent propaganda statements sent out by officials of local agencies which indicate that representatives of the Federal Government have contacted local people and urged further developments and further expenditures of public funds. While this committee has absolute confidence in local governments, it is with regret that the committee hears such reports, indicating that Federal officials have been guilty of such practices. The Administrator is requested by the committee to take such steps, through restriction of travel or otherwise, as will assure that no such propaganda is practiced by a Federal official.

Federal National Mortgage Association.

The committee recommends that the limitation on the amount available for administrative expenses be increased from $3,371,425 to $3,647,600, to provide for operations at the 1952 level, which is $492,400 below the budget estimate.

The committee also recommends that the following proviso be deleted from the bill:

: *Provided further*, That administrative expenses not under limitation for the purposes set forth in the budget schedules for the fiscal year 1953 shall not exceed $150,000.

Home Loan Bank Board.

The committee recommends that the following proviso be deleted from the bill:

: *Provided further*, That the nonadministrative expenses for the examination of Federal and State chartered institutions shall not exceed $1,664,000.

Federal Housing Administration.

The committee recommends that the following proviso be deleted from the bill:

: *Provided further*, That expenditures for nonadministrative expenses classified by section 2 of Public Law 387, approved October 25, 1949, shall not exceed $25,175,000.

Public Housing Administration.

The committee recommends that the limitation on the amount available for administrative expenses be increased from $10,455,000 to $12,613,000, to include the following:

Appropriation	$9,000,000
Receipts from housing program	3,383,000
Receipts from defense housing	230,000
Total limitation	12,613,000

The committee also recommends that the following proviso be deleted from the bill:

: *Provided further*, That all expenses of the Public Housing Administration not specifically limited in this Act, in carrying out its duties imposed by or pursuant to law shall not exceed $31,690,000.

The committee also recommends that the limitation "not to exceed $50,000" be deleted from the proviso making funds available for disposition expenses of the three Greentowns projects.

INLAND WATERWAYS CORPORATION.

The committee recommends that the limitation on the amount available for administrative expenses be increased from $467,330 to $481,200, to provide for operations at the 1952 level, which is $28,000 below the budget estimate for 1953.

The committee also recommends that the following authorization be added to the bill:

and funds available for operating expenses shall be available for purchase (not to exceed two, for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 401—Limitation on leave accumulation.

The committee recommends that the following section be deleted from the bill:

SEC. 401. Hereafter no part of the funds of, or available for expenditure by any corporation or agency included in this or any other Act, including the government of the District of Columbia, shall be available to pay for annual leave accumulated by any civilian officer or employee during any calendar year and unused at the close of business on June 30 of the succeeding calendar year: *Provided*, That the head of any such corporation or agency shall afford an opportunity for officers or employees to use the annual leave accumulated under this section prior to June 30 of such succeeding calendar year: *Provided further*, That this section shall not apply to officers and employees whose post of duty is outside the continental United States: *And provided further*, That this section shall not apply with respect to the payment of compensation for accumulated annual leave in the case of officers or employees who leave their civilian positions for the purpose of entering upon active military or naval service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

Section 403—Limitation on operation of passenger-carrying vehicles at seat of government.

The committee recommends that the following section be deleted from the bill:

SEC. 403. In no event shall the number of passenger-carrying vehicles which may be operated during the current fiscal year at the seat of government under any appropriation or authorization in this Act exceeds 50 per centum of the number in use as of June 30, 1951.

Section 405—Limitation on chauffeurs.

For the purpose of providing exemption to the American Battle Monuments Commission in their operation of vehicles in foreign countries, the committee recommends that the following be added to the section:

or whose place of duty is in a foreign country

Section 406. Limitation on filling of personnel vacancies:

The committee recommends that the following section be deleted from the bill:

SEC. 406. No part of any appropriation or authorization contained in this Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any incumbent appointed to any civil office or position which may become vacant during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1952: *Provided*, That this inhibition shall not apply—

(a) to not to exceed 25 per centum of all vacancies;

(b) to positions filled from within a department, independent executive bureau, board, commission, corporation, agency or office, provided for in this Act;

(c) to offices or positions required by law to be filled by appointment of the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate;

(d) to all employees in veterans' medical facilities, exclusive of medical departmental personnel in the District of Columbia;

(e) to employees in grades CPC 1, 2, and 3;

(f) to employees of the General Accounting Office;

(g) to employees of the Tax Court of the United States;

(h) to American Battle Monuments Commission: *Provided further*, That when any department, independent executive bureau, board, commission, corporation, agency or office, contained in this Act shall, as the result of the operation of this amendment reduce its personnel to a number not exceeding 90 per centum of the total number provided for in this Act, such amendment may cease to apply and said 90 per centum shall become a ceiling for employment during the fiscal year 1953, and if exceeded at any time during fiscal year 1953 this amendment shall again become operative.

and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

Sec. 404. (a) No part of any appropriation made by this Act for any purpose shall be used for the payment of personal services in excess of an amount equal to 90 per centum of the amount requested for personal services for such purpose in budget estimates heretofore submitted to the Congress for the fiscal year 1953; and the total amount of each appropriation, any part of which is available for the payment of personal services for any purpose, is hereby reduced by an amount equal to 10 per centum of the amount requested in such budget estimates for personal services for such purpose less an amount representing the reduction, if any, between the amount requested for personal services in the budget estimates and the amount appropriated herein for such services.

(b) This section shall not apply to—

1. Offices or positions required by law to be filled by appointment of the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

2. Employees of the White House Office.

3. Employees engaged in the care, maintenance, and so forth, of the Executive Mansion and Grounds.

4. Employees in medical facilities, exclusive of administrative medical personnel in the District of Columbia.

5. Employees of the General Accounting Office.

6. Employees of the Smithsonian Institution, including the National Gallery of Art.

7. Employees of The Tax Court of the United States.

8. Employees in foreign countries of the American Battle Monuments Commission.

9. Employees of the Atomic Energy Commission.

10. Employees of the Selective Service System.

Limitation on funds for acquisition, seizure or operation of plants. (Ferguson amendment.)

The committee recommends that the following section be added to the bill:

Sec. 405. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act, or any funds made available for expenditure by this Act, shall be used for the purpose of acquiring, seizing, or operating any plant, facility, or other property, unless the acquisition, seizure, or operation of such plant, facility, other property is authorized by Act of Congress.

Price limitation on passenger motor vehicles.

The committee recommends that the following section be added to the bill:

Sec. 406. Unless otherwise specifically provided, the maximum amount allowable during the current fiscal year, in accordance with section 16 of the Act of August 2, 1946 (5 U. S. C. 78), for the purchase of any passenger motor vehicle (exclusive of busses, ambulances, and station wagons), is hereby fixed at $1,600.

Limitation on information specialists:

The committee recommends that the following section be added to the bill:

Sec. 407 (a) No part of the money appropriated by this Act to any department, agency, or corporation or made available for expenditure by any department, agency, or corporation which is in excess of 75 per centum of the amount required to pay the compensation of all persons the budget estimates for personal services heretofore submitted to the Congress for the fiscal year 1953 contemplated would be employed by such department, agency, or corporation during such fiscal year in the performance of—

(1) functions performed by a person designated as an information specialist, information and editorial specialist, publications and information coordinator, press relations officer or counsel, photographer, radio expert, television expert, motion picture expert, or publicity expert, or designated by any similar title, or

(2) functions performed by persons who assist persons performing the functions described in (1) in drafting, preparing, editing, typing, duplicating, or disseminating public information, publications or releases, radio or television scripts, magazine articles, photographs, motion pictures and similar material,

shall be available to pay the compensation of persons performing the functions described in (1) or (2).

(b) This section shall not apply: to persons employed by the General Services Administration in the performance of functions or related assisting or supporting functions in connection with the publication of the Federal Register, or to persons engaged in functions of the Civil Service Commission related to (1) the preparation and issuance of materials relating to the recruitment of personnel for the Federal service, and (2) the compilation of the Official Register of the United States.

DECREASES

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:

Emergency fund for the President, National Defense $1,000,000

In lieu of the $1,000,000 provided by the House, the committee recommends that the following be inserted in the bill:

the unexpended balance in this fund on June 30, 1952, is hereby continued available during the fiscal year 1953

This provision would make available approximately $4,000,000 of unobligated funds.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION:

Hospital and domiciliary facilities 87,284,000

The decrease recommended by the committee is for the purpose of deferring until some later time all construction which can be deferred without loss to the government resulting from contracts already made. The amount provided is $66,316,000, of which $59,000,000 is for liquidation of prior contract authorization.

The estimate of $153,600,000 provides for $59,000,000 to liquidate contract authorizations and for a balance carried over of $4,916,518, leaving the amount of $89,683,482 for obligation during 1953, as follows:

1. Hospital-bed producing projects	$62,559,360
2. Conversions at existing hospitals	2,088,737
3. Major rehabilitation and modernization at existing hospitals	19,170,100
4. Nonbed producing projects	3,896,442
5. Construction of administrative facilities at hospital sites	74,702
6. Initial portable equipment	1,894,141
Total obligations, 1953	89,683,482

The Administration advised the committee of the extreme difficulties that would be caused by the reductions made by the House in the operating expenses, which would involve the closing down of 21 existing hospitals and being unable to properly staff the 24 new hospitals scheduled to open during 1953. In view of these difficulties, it does not seem to the committee to be advisable to allow the construction of hospitals on which contracts have not yet been made.

Total decreases	88,284,000
Title I increases	108,748,850
Title II increases	4,127,750
Total increases	112,876,600
Less decreases	88,284,000
Net increase	24,592,600
Amount of bill as reported to the Senate	6,278,808,228

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1952 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1953, PERMANENT INDEFINITE APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Object	Appropriations, 1952	Estimates, 1953	Increase (+) or decrease (−)
Atomic Energy Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	$125,000	$125,000	
Civil Service Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	14,000	14,000	
Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion: Disposition of materials removed	24,000		−$24,000
Federal Communications Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	2,500	3,400	+900
Federal Power Commission:			
Payments to States under Federal Power Act	38,200	37,700	−500
Replacement of personal property sold	800	1,800	+1,000
Federal Trade Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	1,800	1,500	−300
General Services Administration: Replacement of personal property sold	1,000	1,000	
Interstate Commerce Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	500	6,400	+5,900
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics: Replacement of personal property sold	25,000	30,000	+5,000
Securities and Exchange Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	2,250	3,000	+750
Selective Service System: Replacement of personal property sold	1,000	1,000	
Tariff Commission: Replacement of personal property sold	600		−600
Veterans' Administration: Replacement of personal property sold	60,000	50,000	−10,000
Total	296,650	274,800	−21,850

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

[Limitations on amounts of corporate funds to be expended]

Corporation or agency	Authorizations, 1952	Budget estimates, 1953	Recommended in House bill for 1953	Amount recommended by Senate committee	Increase (+) or decrease (−) Senate bill compared with—		
					Authorizations, 1952	Estimates, 1953	House Bill
Housing and Home Finance Agency:							
Federal National Mortgage Association	[1] $3,647,600	$4,140,000	$3,371,425	$3,647,600		−$492,400	+$276,175
Loans for prefabricated housing	[2] 241,200	268,000	225,000	225,000	−$16,200	−43,000	
Home Loan Bank Board	[3] 775,000	779,000	725,000	725,000	−50,000	−54,000	
Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation	435,000	443,000	425,000	425,000	−10,000	−18,000	
Home Owners' Loan Corporation	(4)	(5)	(5)	(6)			
Federal Housing Administration	[6] 5,290,600	5,631,000	4,885,000	4,885,000	−405,600	−746,000	
Public Housing Administration	[7] 13,904,700	15,033,000	[9] 10,455,000	[10] 12,613,000	−1,291,700	−2,420,000	+2,158,000
Inland Waterways Corporation: Department of Commerce	481,200	510,000	467,330	481,200		−28,800	+13,870
Total	24,775,300	26,804,000	20,553,755	23,001,800	−1,773,500	−3,802,200	+2,448,045

[1] Limitation on administrative expenses increased from $3,060,000 to $3,428,000 in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and further increased to $3,647,600 in Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952.

[2] Limitation on administrative expenses increased from $157,250 to $225,000 in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and further increased to $241,200 in Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952.

[3] Limitation on administrative expenses increased from $750,000 to $775,000 in the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952.

[4] $75,000 available for nonadministrative expenses to carry out final liquidation.

[5] Unobligated balance of prior year funds continued available for nonadministrative expenses in connection with final liquidation.

[6] Limitation on administrative expenses increased from $4,949,000 to $4,990,000 in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and further increased to $5,290,600 in Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952.

[7] Limitation on administrative expenses increased from $12,780,000 to $13,155,000 in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and further increased to $13,904,700 in Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952. Amount includes $9,875,000 of appropriated funds, including $375,000 contained in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and $3,280,000 of corporate funds.

[8] Amount includes $11,420,000 of appropriated funds, $230,000 heretofore appropriated in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and $3,383,000 of corporate funds.

[9] Amount includes $8,000,000 of appropriated funds, $205,000 heretofore appropriated in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and $3,250,000 of corporate funds.

[10] Amount includes $9,000,000 of appropriated funds, $230,000 heretofore appropriated in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952, and $3,383,000 of corporate funds.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1952, ESTIMATES FOR 1953, AND AMOUNTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL FOR 1953

Agency and item	Appropriations, 1952	Estimates, 1953	Recommended in House bill for 1953	Amount recommended by Senate committee	Increase (+) or decrease (−) Senate bill compared with—		
					Appropriations, 1952	Estimates, 1953	House bill
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT							
Compensation of the President	$150,000	$150,000	$150,000	$150,000			
The White House Office	1,883,615	1,907,643	1,907,643	1,907,643	+$24,028		
Emergency fund for the President (national defense)	[1] 1,000,000	5,000,000	1,000,000	(1)	−1,000,000	−$5,000,000	−$1,000,000
Executive Mansion and grounds	335,600	367,200	[2] 341,200	[2] 341,200	+5,600	−26,000	
Bureau of the Budget	3,608,000	3,850,000	3,314,400	3,608,000		−242,000	+293,600
Council of Economic Advisers	317,800	349,000	208,900	[2] 225,000	−92,280	−124,000	+16,100
Total, Executive Office of the President	7,295,015	11,623,843	6,922,143	6,231,843	−1,063,172	−5,392,000	−690,300
INDEPENDENT OFFICES							
AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION							
Salaries and expenses	719,000	779,000	619,550	619,550	−99,450	−159,450	
Construction of memorials and cemeteries	3,000,000	5,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	−2,000,000	−4,000,000	
Total, American Battle Monuments Commission	3,719,000	5,779,000	1,619,550	1,619,550	−2,099,450	−4,159,450	
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION							
Salaries and expenses	1,605,897,750	1,312,000,000			−1,605,897,750	−1,312,000,000	
Operating expenses			708,986,500	708,986,500	+708,986,500	+708,986,500	
Plant and equipment			371,471,000	371,471,000	+371,741,000	+371,471,000	
Liquidation of contract authority			57,000,000	57,000,000	+57,000,000	+57,000,000	
Total, Atomic Energy Commission	1,605,897,750	1,312,000,000	1,137,727,500	1,137,727,500	−468,170,250	−174,272,500	

See footnotes at end of table, p. 31.

Comparative statement of appropriations for 1952, estimates for 1953, and amounts recommended in the bill for 1953—Con.

Agency and item	Appropriations, 1952	Estimates, 1953	Recommended in House bill for 1953	Amount recommended by Senate committee	Increase (+) or decrease (−) Senate bill compared with—		
					Appropriations, 1952	Estimates, 1953	House bill
INDEPENDENT OFFICES—Continued							
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION							
Salaries and expenses	$19,860,000	$22,097,400	$18,703,350	$18,703,350	−$1,156,650	−$3,393,650	
Investigations	4,000,000				−4,000,000		
Annuities, Panama Canal construction employees and Lighthouse Service widows	2,955,900	2,707,000	2,707,000	2,707,000	−248,900		
Payment to civil-service retirement and disability fund	310,000,000	457,869,000	321,000,000	321,900,000	+11,900,000	−135,969,000	+$900,000
Total Civil Service Commission	336,815,900	482,673,000	342,410,350	343,310,350	+6,494,450	−139,362,650	+900,000
COMMISSION ON RENOVATION OF THE EXECUTIVE MANSION	45,000				−45,000		
DISPLACED PERSONS COMMISSION	10,074,500				−10,074,500		
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION	6,585,550	8,075,000	6,108,460	6,708,460	+122,910	−1,366,540	+600,000
FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION							
Salaries and expenses	4,118,325	4,540,000	3,935,700	4,235,700	+117,375	−304,300	+300,000
Flood-control surveys	212,600	(4)	(4)	(4)	−212,600		
Total, Federal Power Commission	4,330,925	4,540,000	3,935,700	4,235,700	−95,225	−304,300	+300,000
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION	4,314,400	4,667,000	3,978,800	4,128,800	−185,600	−538,200	+150,000
GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE							
Salaries	30,894,000	30,100,000	28,600,000	30,100,000	−794,000		+1,500,000
Miscellaneous expenses	1,600,000	2,125,000	1,835,000	2,085,000	+485,000	−40,000	+250,000
Total, General Accounting Office	32,494,000	32,225,000	30,435,000	32,185,000	−309,000	−40,000	+1,750,000

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION							
Operating expenses	113,109,000	128,000,000		115,209,080	+2,100,080	−12,790,920	+115,209,080
Executive direction and staff operations			4,029,750				−4,029,750
Public Buildings Service			98,346,030				−98,346,030
Federal Supply Service			2,094,100				−2,094,100
National Archives and Records Service			4,739,200				−4,739,200
Emergency operating expenses	31,500,000	27,845,000	22,668,250	22,668,250	−8,831,750	−5,176,750	
Renovation and improvement, Federal buildings outside District of Columbia	4,500,000	5,500,000	4,500,000	5,000,000	+500,000	−500,000	+500,000
Repair, preservation, and equipment, outside the District of Columbia	9,000,000	10,000,000	9,000,000	9,500,000	+500,000	−500,000	+500,000
Federal Supply and Records Building	4,400,000				−4,400,000		
Refunds under Renegotiation Act	8,500,000	9,300,000	9,300,000	9,300,000	+800,000		
Expenses, General Supply Fund	15,075,000	19,613,000	13,998,000	15,075,000		−4,538,000	+1,077,000
Strategic and critical materials	790,216,500	225,000,000	203,979,000	203,979,000	−586,237,500	−21,021,000	
Archival drawings, Executive Mansion		40,000				−40,000	
Acquisition, Post Office building, Chicago, Ill	8,768,000				−8,768,000		
Renovation and modernization, Executive Mansion	361,000				−361,000		
General supply fund	1,100,000				−1,100,000		
Total, General Services Administration	986,529,500	425,298,000	372,654,330	380,731,330	−605,798,170	−44,566,670	+8,077,000
HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY							
Office of the Administrator:							
Salaries and expenses	3,196,300	6,250,000	3,606,000	5,606,000	+2,409,700	−644,000	+2,000,000
Defense Housing	37,500,000				−37,500,000		
Defense Community facilities and services	20,625,000	(1)		(1)	−20,625,000		
Public works advance planning	607,150				−607,150		

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INDEPENDENT OFFICES—Continued							
HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY—Continued							
Office of the Administrator—Continued							
Salaries and expenses, Defense Housing and Community facilities and services	$643,230				−$643,230		
Alaska Housing	5,000,000				−5,000,000		
Revolving fund for isolated defense sites	6,250,000				−6,250,000		
Total, Office of the Administrator	73,821,680	$6,250,000	$3,606,000	$5,606,000	−68,215,680	−$644,000	+$2,000,000
Public Housing Administration:							
Annual contributions	13,600,000	36,000,000	29,880,000	29,880,000	+16,280,000	−6,120,000	
Administrative expenses	10,040,900	11,420,000	7,000,000	9,000,000	−1,040,900	−2,420,000	+2,000,000
Total, Public Housing Administration	23,640,900	47,420,000	36,880,000	38,880,000	+15,239,100	−8,540,000	+2,000,000
Total, Housing and Home Finance Agency	97,462,580	53,670,000	40,486,000	44,486,000	−52,976,580	−9,184,000	+4,000,000
INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION	93,500	104,700	89,300	93,500		−11,200	+4,200
INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION							
General expenses	9,479,935	9,975,000	8,935,000	9,704,000	+224,065	−271,000	+769,000
Railroad safety	1,037,000	1,042,000	907,000	1,042,000	+5,000		+135,000
Locomotive 'nspection	747,100	761,000	664,000	755,000	+7,900	−6,000	+91,000
Total, Interstate Commerce Commission	11,264,035	11,778,000	10,506,000	11,501,000	+236,965	−277,000	+995,000

INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON THE POTOMAC RIVER BASIN	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000			
MOTOR CARRIER CLAIMS COMMISSION	186,000				−186,000		
NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS							
Salaries and expenses	50,650,000	57,834,000	46,522,200	50,650,000		−7,184,000	+4,127,800
Construction and equipment at laboratories	18,350,000	20,700,000	17,700,000	17,700,000	−650,000	−3,000,000	
Total, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics	69,000,000	78,534,000	64,222,200	68,350,000	−650,000	−10,184,000	+4,127,800
NATIONAL CAPITAL HOUSING AUTHORITY	35,640	47,000	45,000	45,000	+9,360	−2,000	
NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION	155,000	600,000	66,000	66,000	−89,000	−534,000	
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION	3,500,000	15,000,000	3,500,000	5,500,000	+1,500,000	−10,000,000	+1,500,000
RENEGOTIATION BOARD	1,100,000	7,500,000	4,907,800	5,907,800	+4,807,800	−1,592,200	+1,000,000
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION	5,813,480	5,950,000	5,245,080	5,245,080	−568,400	−704,920	
SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM	33,009,000	[5] 39,861,000	36,597,000	36,772,000	+3,763,000	−3,089,000	+175,000
SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION							
Salaries and expenses	2,553,200	2,565,000	2,274,000	2,565,000	+11,800		+291,000
National Gallery of Art, salaries and expenses	1,240,000	1,300,000	1,181,100	1,300,000	+60,000		+118,900
Total, Smithsonian Institution	3,793,200	3,865,000	3,455,100	3,865,000	+71,800		+409,900
SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES BOARD	235,000	470,000	[6] 291,305	[6] 291,305	+56,305	−178,695	
TARIFF COMMISSION	1,250,600	1,388,000	1,194,750	1,388,000	+137,400		+193,250
TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY	238,389,600	200,027,000	171,270,000	186,027,000	−52,362,600	−14,000,000	+14,757,000
THE TAX COURT OF THE UNITED STATES	859,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	+41,000		
VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION							
Administration, medical, hospital, and domiciliary services	905,359,770	895,000,000	[7] 809,382,260	877,382,260	−27,977,510	−17,617,740	+68,000,000
Compensation and pensions	2,172,230,000	2,204,351,000	2,204,351,000	2,204,351,000	+32,121,000		
Readjustment benefits	1,009,640,000	698,634,000	558,907,200	558,907,200	−450,732,800	−139,726,800	
Military and naval insurance	6,000,000	6,854,000	6,854,000	6,854,000	+854,000		
Hospital and domiciliary facilities	27,505,080	153,600,000	153,600,000	66,316,000	+38,810,920	−87,284,000	−87,284,000

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INDEPENDENT OFFICES—Continued							
VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION—Continued							
Major alterations, improvements, and repairs		[8] $9,500,000	$8,000,000	$9,500,000	+$9,500,000		+$1,500,000
National service life insurance	$233,570,000	54,072,000	54,072,000	54,072,000	−179,498,000		
Servicemen's indemnities	7,300,000	8,595,000	8,595,000	8,595,000	+1,295,000		
Service-disabled Veterans Insurance Fund	250,000				−250,000		
Veterans' miscellaneous benefits	21,060,370	27,206,000	17,206,000	17,206,000	−3,854,370	−$10,000,000	
Veterans' Special Term Insurance Fund	250,000				−250,000		
Grants to the Republic of the Philippines	1,100,000	1,861,500	1,861,500	1,861,500	+761,500		
Automobiles and other conveyances for disabled veterans	25,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	−20,000,000		
Total, Veterans' Administration	4,409,265,220	4,064,673,500	3,827,828,960	3,810,044,960	−599,220,260	−254,628,540	−17,784,000
WAR CLAIMS COMMISSION							
Payment of claims	[9]	[9]	[9]	[9]			
Administrative expenses	[10]	[11]	[12]	[12]			
Total, title I, Executive Office of the President and independent offices	7,873,518,395	6,771,254,043	6,076,401,328	6,096,816,178	−1,776,702,217	−674,437,865	+20,414,850
TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE							
MARITIME ACTIVITIES							
Ship construction	165,000,000	140,000,000	140,000,000	140,000,000	−25,000,000		
Operating-differential subsidies	20,000,000	50,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000		−30,000,000	
Salaries and expenses	16,370,700	[14] 16,860,000	[14] 14,375,700	[14] 16,860,000	+489,300		+2,484,300

Maritime training	3,766,000	[15] 3,990,000	2,795,200	3,990,000	+224,000		+1,194,800
State marine schools	683,000	683,000	643,400	1,092,050	+409,050	+409,050	+448,650
War Shipping Administration liquidation	([16])	([16])	([16])	([16])			
Construction fund	12,500,000				−12,500,000		
Total, title II, Maritime activities	218,319,700	211,533,000	177,814,300	181,942,050	−36,377,650	−29,590,950	+4,127,750
Total, titles I and II	8,091,838,095	6,982,787,043	6,254,215,628	6,278,808,228	−1,813,029,867	−703,978,815	+24,592,600

[1] Unexpended balance to remain available.
[2] And reappropriation of $26,000 of unobligated 1952 funds.
[3] To remain available until March 31, 1953.
[4] Consolidated with above item.
[5] Not to exceed $225,000 of prior year appropriation made available for administrative expenses.
[5a] Includes $175,000 contained in S. Doc. No. 136.
[6] And reappropriation of $20,000 of unobligated 1952 funds.
[7] And reappropriation of $12,500,000 of unobligated 1952 funds.
[8] Includes $5,500,000 contained in H. Doc. No. 369.
[9] Funds deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the war claims fund available for payment of claims.
[10] Amount of $850,000 available from war claims fund for administrative expenses.
[11] Amount of $965,000 available from war claims fund for administrative expenses.
[12] Amount of $683,000 available from war claims fund for administrative expenses.
[13] Amount of $786,100 available from war claims fund for administrative expenses.
[14] And $1,200,000 of prior year unobligated balances continued available for reserve fleet expenses.
[15] Includes $65,000 contained in H. Doc. No. 362, and $125,000 contained in S. Doc. No. 133.
[16] Unexpended balance continued available.

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